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RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH SEQUENCE RULES

Dear Sir:

The Applicant hereby responds to the Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules of 30 June 2004 and submits the following documents:

- (1) Copy of Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules all sequences were in the 6 June 2003 submission and are in this submission as will. Applicants attorney has been through the entire application and has made sure that every sequence meeting the requirements of the appropriate CFR sections have been listed;
- (2) A Paper "Sequence Listing" and an identical "Sequence Listing" in computer readable, generated by the PatentIn 3.2 Software and check by Check 4.2; and a statement of identity of sequences.

(4) Post Card.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir/Madam:

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Applicant hereby asserts that the hard copy and electronic copy are identical. Please note that an electronic copy of the Checker Report is also on the diskette.

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